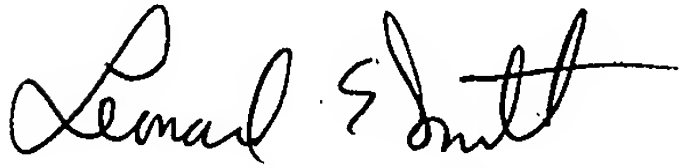


"Express Mail" label number appearing on the Certificate of Mailing ties the "Express Mail" label and the Certificate of Mailing together such that it is clear that the national stage application was deposited on 13 November 2001.

CONCLUSION

Applicant's petition requesting that the application papers be accorded a 35 U.S.C. 102(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) and 371 date of 13 November 2001 is **GRANTED**.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for treatment in accordance with this decision, that is for preparation and mailing of a corrected Notification of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) and issuance of a corrected filing receipt.



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